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PATENT  
Our Case No. 12036/007

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	)	
	)	Group Art Unit 3673
James E. Ingle	)	
	)	Examiner: Jong Suk Lee
Serial No.: 10/720,657	)	
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Filed: November 24, 2003	)	
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For: JACK UP MOBILE OFFSHORE	)	
DRILLING UNITS (MODUS) AND	)	
JACKING METHOD AND APPARATUS	)	

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 7, 2004**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 7, 2004, please consider the following amendments, which cancel claims 30 and 32-37 (without prejudice to Applicant's right to pursue their subject matter in a further divisional application) and place this application in condition for allowance with allowable claims 31 and 38-49.

Amendment to the Title is on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Specification is on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendment to the Abstract is noted on page 8 of this paper, the amended Abstract is appended hereto as substitute page 28.

The Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.